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TAGS: ENGR, UY, AR

SUBJ: SALTO GRANDE ENGINEERING CONTRACT SIGNED WITH  
CHARLES MAIN CO.

REF: MVD 1141

1. URUGUAYAN CO- CHAIRMAN OF BI- NATIONAL COMMISSION HAS CONFIRMED  
TO  
ME THAT CONSULTING ENGINEERING CONTRACT WORTH UP TO \$20,450,000  
( DEPENDING ON COSTS) FOR SALTO GRANDE HYDROELECTRIC PROJECT WAS  
SIGNED BY MIXED TECHNICAL COMMISSION ( CTM) IN BUENOS AIRES  
ON MAY 8 WITH CHAS. T. MAIN, CO OF U. S. ASSUMING NEW PROBLEMS  
DO NOT ARISE FROM IMMINENT CHANGE OF GOVERNMENT IN ARGENTINA,  
SIGNING THIS CONTRACT SHOULD PERMIT WORK TO START ON SALTO GRANDE  
CONSTRUCTION BEFORE END OF 1973, WITH ELECTRICITY PRODUCTION NOW  
PREDICTED TO BEGIN IN 1980.

2. WALTER PINTOS RISSO, URUGUAYAN CO- CHAIRMAN OF CTM,  
PRIVATELY EXPRESSED RELIEF TO ME YESTERDAY ( MAY 9) THAT  
CONSULTING ENGINEERING CONTRACT HAD FINALLY BEEN SIGNED. HE  
DESCRIBED IT AS A HAPPY SOLUTION TO WHAT HAD BEEN A VERY MESSY  
PROBLEM. WE AGREE.

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